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Hospital Acquired Infections
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether any data is available on Hospital Acquired Infections (HAI);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to issue guidelines regarding training on HAI in medical schools;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether there are defined standards for infection control and audits to confirm the same and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)
(a) to (e): Since Health is a State subject, no such information is maintained centrally. It is the responsibility of the respective State Government/ Union Territories to take action in this regard.
In so far as the three Central Government Hospitals in Delhi viz. Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College & Associated Hospitals are concerned, Point Prevalence Study with reference to Hospital Acquired Infection is conducted by these hospitals to ascertain the infection rate within the hospital. As per the latest figures, this rate is 7-8% for Dr. RML Hospital, 5.88 % for Safdarjung Hospital and 5.6 % for Smt. Sucheta Kriplani Hospital and 2.98 % Kalawati Saran Children Hospital.

Universal precautions, hand hygiene, Bio-medical Waste Management, safe injection practices and other guidelines regarding training on prevention of Hospital Acquired Infections (HAI) has been included in medical school curriculum of these hospitals.

The infection control guidelines in these hospitals provide defined standard for infection control and methods to confirm the HAI in various sites in hospital/medical school.